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EXTERNAL Email

Hello all - I am following-up on these two documents, and also, in the interests of efficiency, adding counsel for *Alter et al.* (fka *Sancton*) to this chain to see what comments/edits Rohit and Justin or their team may have.

Best, Rachel

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Counsel—

Attached is a draft Protective Order from another SDNY judge (Judge Liman) that was recently updated. We propose using that order here for that reason. A draft ESI Order is also attached.

Please let us know if these work for you or what edits you have.

Best,

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EXHIBIT 1B-1

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and RACHEL VAIL, individually and on
behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

OPENAI INC., OPENAI OPCO LLC,
OPENAI GP LLC, OPENAI LLC,
OPENAI GLOBAL LLC, OAI
CORPORATION LLC, OPENAI
HOLDINGS LLC, OPENAI STARTUP
FUND I LP, OPENAI STARTUP FUND
GP I LLC, OPENAI STARTUP FUND
MANAGEMENT LLC, and MICROSOFT
CORPORATION,

Defendants.

No. 1:23-cv-8282-SHS

**JOINT STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]
ORDER REGARDING THE
PRODUCTION OF ELECTRONICALLY
STORED INFORMATION (“ESI”) AND
HARD COPY DOCUMENTS**

I. PURPOSE

This Joint Stipulation and [Proposed] Order (“Order”) regarding the production of Electronically Stored Information (“ESI”) and Hard Copy Documents (collectively, “Document” or “Documents”) shall govern discovery of Documents in this case as a supplement to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and any other applicable orders and rules. Nothing in this Order is intended to expand or limit the Parties’ obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Any disputes arising out of the production of Documents subject to this Order shall be resolved according to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Local Rule 26, and the Court’s Standing Orders.

II. COOPERATION

The Parties are aware of the importance the Court places on cooperation and commit to

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AND HARD COPY DOCUMENTS

1 cooperate in good faith throughout the matter consistent with this Court's Guidelines for the
2 Discovery of ESI.

3 **III. LIAISON**

4 The Parties have identified liaisons to each other who are and will be knowledgeable
5 about and responsible for discussing their respective ESI. Each e-discovery liaison will be, or
6 have access to those who are, knowledgeable about the technical aspects of e-discovery, including
7 the location, nature, accessibility, format, collection, search methodologies, and production of ESI
8 in this matter. The Parties will rely on the liaisons, as needed, to confer about ESI and to help
9 resolve disputes without court intervention.

10 **IV. PRESERVATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF ESI**

11 **A.** The Parties have discussed or, within a week of the issuance of this Order, will
12 discuss their preservation obligations and needs and agree that preservation of potentially-relevant
13 ESI will be reasonable and proportionate. The Parties have exchanged (or will within a week of
14 this Order exchange) a list of the types of ESI they believe should be preserved and the custodians,
15 or general job titles or descriptions of custodians, for whom they believe ESI should be preserved,
16 e.g., "HR head," "scientist," and "marketing manager." The Parties shall add or remove custodians
17 as reasonably necessary. To reduce the costs and burdens of preservation and to ensure proper ESI
18 is preserved, the Parties agree that:

19 1. Within 30 days following receipt of the Requesting Party's requests for
20 production of Documents, or a later time if agreed to by the Parties, the receiving Party shall
21 disclose the names of individuals and/or sources from which the Producing Party plans to collect
22 Documents in response to the document requests. The custodians shall be identified by name,
23 title, and connection to the instant litigation.

24 2. Where applicable, sources of Documents include but are not limited to
25 desktop servers, computers, laptops, local hard drives, file servers, databases, SANs, NASs, email
26 servers, web servers, network home or personal file shares, any shared drives, document
27 management systems (DMS), record management systems (RMS), content management systems
28 (CMS), departmental/project/collaborative/shared storage spaces removable storage, email,

removable storage media, on-line data storage (e.g., Dropbox or Google Drive), messaging phones, tablets social media, and physical or hard copy files and Documents.

3. The Parties shall have a continuing obligation to take reasonable and proportional steps to identify and preserve custodial and non-custodial data sources that may contain information that is relevant to the claims and defenses in this litigation.

4. If a Producing Party is aware of inaccessible data that is likely to contain unique, discoverable ESI, it will identify the source from which it claims the data is not reasonably accessible to the Receiving Party.

5. Examples of data the Parties agree not to preserve are:

- a. Deleted, “slack,” fragmented, or unallocated data only accessible by forensics;
- b. Random access memory (RAM), temporary files, or other ephemeral data that are difficult to preserve without disabling the operating system; and
- c. Structural files not material to individual file contents (e.g. .CSS, .XSL, .XML, .DTD, etc.).

V. SEARCH & REVIEW

1. The Parties will meet and confer to discuss the use of search terms, filters and date ranges or the use of advanced search and retrieval technologies. By [*], a Producing Party shall specify the technique or techniques it will use to search for material it reasonably anticipates will be responsive to Requests for Production. If the Requesting Party objects to the particular technique or techniques, the Parties will timely meet and confer regarding the matter and submit any unresolved disputes to the Court for resolution:

2. A Party who intends to use search terms will describe a Search Protocol that will include: (a) the criteria to be used to identify the universe of Documents to which search terms will be applied (e.g., date range), and (b) proposed search terms to be applied to that universe of Documents, subject to revision based on, for example, meet and confer of the Parties and the number of hits returned by each term. A Requesting Party may also suggest search terms to be

1 applied. Any Search Protocol will include a requirement for the Producing Party to provide hit
2 reports for proposed search terms prior to utilizing the search terms to narrow the universe of
3 Documents to be searched. Any Search Protocol shall include a requirement to review one
4 random sample of 2,000 distinct Documents that do not hit on the search terms that are agreed
5 upon by the Parties (the “Null Set”), and to produce to the Requesting Party any responsive, non-
6 privileged Documents identified. The Null Set of 2000 distinct Documents shall be generated
7 after all document processing is substantially complete. These 2,000 Documents should come
8 from each custodian and include Documents throughout the entire date range. Producing Party
9 should then review the 2,000 Documents that do not hit on any terms and produce any responsive
10 Documents. If more than 10% of these Documents are responsive (i.e., 200 Documents), then
11 Parties shall revisit the agreed-upon search terms by analyzing the Documents produced and
12 determining which additional terms are necessary. The Parties agree to meet and confer regarding
13 the Search Protocol and to raise any disputes regarding the Search Protocol for resolution by the
14 Court.

15 3. A Producing Party electing to use search terms shall not use them in combination
16 with technology assisted review (“TAR”) on the same set of Documents, whether to cull before or
17 after application of TAR, and vice versa. If a Producing Party seeks to use search terms on one
18 set of Documents and TAR on a different set of Documents, the Producing Party will identify
19 each set of Documents and state the rationale for the difference in method applied. The
20 Producing Party does not, in providing such a statement, waive any applicable privilege or work
21 product protections. If the Requesting Party objects to such an approach, the Parties will timely
22 meet and confer regarding the matter and submit any unresolved disputes to the Court for
23 resolution.

24 4. A Party who intends to use TAR will describe a TAR Protocol that will include:
25 (a) the TAR system to be used; (b) the criteria to be used to identify the universe of Documents to
26 which TAR is to be applied (the “TAR Universe”); (c) its methodology for training the TAR
27 model and identifying responsive Documents; (d) the methodology for validation testing to be
28 used; (e) the subject-matter expert who will oversee the implementation of the TAR Protocol; and

(f) the process by which Documents excluded as not conducive to categorization (e.g. multimedia files, primarily numerical spreadsheets, database files) will be reviewed for production.

5. If a Party is using culling technology, criteria or methods, the Producing Party agrees to disclose details in advance to the Receiving Party along with the sources across which it plans to apply the culling techniques. The Parties must also provide written information regarding the use of any other advanced culling techniques they employ in connection with their culling of the Documents if they are using such technology to exclude Documents from manual review.

6. Documents which are reasonably believed to be responsive to discovery requests and not subject to objections and for which text-based search technologies are fundamentally ineffective must be reviewed without culling by search terms, predictive coding, or other technologies that rely primarily on text.

VI. PRODUCTION FORMATS

The Parties agree to produce Documents in the formats set forth in Appendix 1 and 2 hereto.

VII. DOCUMENTS PROTECTED FROM DISCOVERY

The production of Documents (including both paper Documents and electronically stored information) subject to protection by the attorney-client and/or protected by the work-product, joint defense or other similar doctrine, or by another legal privilege protecting information from discovery, shall not constitute a waiver of any privilege or other protection, provided that the Producing Party notifies the Receiving Party, in writing, of the production after its discovery of the same.

If the Producing Party notifies the Receiving Party after discovery that privileged materials (hereinafter referred to as the "Identified Materials") have been produced, the Identified Materials and all copies of those materials shall be returned to the Producing Party or destroyed or deleted, on request of the Producing Party. The Receiving Party agrees to use reasonable efforts to segregate Identified Materials and any notes or work product (or portions of work product) reflecting the contents of any Identified Materials and the Receiving Party will not

1 review or use such segregated Identified Materials and/or work product unless the Court
 2 determines the Identified Materials to not be privileged. The Identified Materials shall be deleted
 3 from any systems used to house the Documents, including document review databases, e-rooms
 4 and any other location that stores the Documents. The contents of the Identified Materials shall
 5 not be disclosed to anyone who was not already aware of the contents of them before the notice
 6 was made. The Party returning the Identified Materials may move the Court for an order
 7 compelling production of some or all of the material returned or destroyed, but the basis for such
 8 a motion may not be the fact or circumstances of the production.

9 If any Receiving Party is in receipt of a Document from a Producing Party which the
 10 Receiving Party has reason to believe is privileged, the Receiving Party shall in good faith take
 11 reasonable steps to promptly notify the Producing Party of the production of that Document so
 12 that the Producing Party may make a determination of whether it wishes to have the Documents
 13 returned or destroyed pursuant to this Stipulated Protective Order.

14 The Parties agree that this Order is an Order entered under Rule 502(d) of the Federal
 15 Rules of Evidence and thus the disclosure of Identified Materials is not a waiver of the privilege
 16 in any other federal or state proceeding.

17 This stipulated agreement set forth in this section and its subparts does not constitute a
 18 concession by any Party that any Documents are subject to protection by the attorney-client
 19 privilege, the work product doctrine or any other potentially applicable privilege or doctrine. This
 20 agreement also is not intended to waive or limit in any way either Party's right to contest any
 21 privilege claims that may be asserted with respect to any of the Documents produced except to
 22 the extent stated in the agreement.

23 **VIII. MODIFICATION**

24 This Order may be modified by a stipulation of the Parties or by the Court for good cause
 25 shown.

26 **IX. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

27 **A. Objections Preserved.**

28 Nothing in this Order shall be interpreted to require disclosure of relevant information

protected by the attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product doctrine, or any other applicable privilege or immunity. Except as provided expressly herein, the Parties do not waive any objections as to the production, discoverability, authenticity, admissibility, or confidentiality of Documents and ESI.

B. Technical Variances.

Recognizing that each Producing Party may experience production issues due to data systems or files that may not be fully compatible with the technical specifications set forth herein, any practice or procedure set forth herein may be varied by agreement of the Parties, confirmed in writing, to accommodate such issues and/or where such variance is deemed appropriate to facilitate the timely and economical production of Documents or ESI. No Party shall unreasonably object to any such variance.

C. Privileged Documents and Privilege Log.

To the extent that a Party reasonably determines that one or more responsive Documents are not discoverable or a portion of a Document needs to be redacted because it is subject to the attorney-client communication privilege or work product doctrine, or otherwise not discoverable on the basis of a recognized protection or privilege (collectively, the “Privileges” and each a “Privilege”), the Party shall, within 30 days of the production from which Documents are withheld or redacted for privilege, produce a log treating each Document withheld or redacted for privilege from that production separately that sets forth: (a) the nature of the privilege(s) or other protection claimed; (b) the date of the Document; (c) the name of the author(s)/addresser, addressee(s) and all recipients of the Document (with respect to e-mail threads, the author/addresser, addressee(s) and recipients of only the top e-mail in the chain will be set forth in the author/addressee, addressee(s) and recipient fields of the log) and whether any person identified is an attorney or an employee of any Defendants’ legal department; (d) a description of the general subject matter contained in the Document and the type of Document (e.g., letter, memorandum, handwritten notes) sufficient to allow the Receiving Party to assess the claimed Privilege and/or to allow the Court to rule upon the applicability of the claimed protection; and (e) the custodian and/or location of the Document. For redacted Documents with multiple

1 redactions, one log entry can be used to describe the multiple redactions, so long as a single entry
 2 is sufficient to adequately identify the basis for all redactions, as described in this paragraph.
 3 Names of counsel shall be designated with an asterisk.

4 Documents that are privileged and that post-date the filing of the original complaint need
 5 not be placed on a privilege log.

6 **D. Hard Copy Document Storage.**

7 During the pendency of this litigation, the Parties shall make reasonable efforts to
 8 preserve the originals of all hard copy Documents as to which there may be issues of legibility of
 9 all or any part of the production copy. Each Party reserves the right to request to inspect such
 10 original Documents of the opposing Party or Parties, which request shall not be unreasonably
 11 denied. If such request to inspect is denied, the Party may seek relief from the Court.

12 **E. Reproduction as Natives.**

13 The Parties agree that to the extent any Party seeks production in native format of
 14 specifically identified ESI produced originally in TIFF form, the Producing Party shall respond
 15 reasonably and in good faith to any such request.

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 17 **IT IS SO STIPULATED**, through Counsel of Record

18 Dated: _____

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11 *Attorney for Plaintiffs and the Proposed Class*

12 Dated: _____

13 _____
[Defendant's signature block]

14 *Attorney for Defendants*

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16 **IT IS SO ORDERED** that the foregoing Agreement is approved.

17 Dated: _____

18 _____
19 Judge Sidney H. Stein
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York

APPENDIX 1
PRODUCTION DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS

I. GENERAL PRODUCTION PROVISIONS

The Parties have agreed that ESI should be produced as TIFF images and in Native Format where applicable with accompanying data and image load files.

A. TIFF Image Files.

The Parties agree that all Documents, with the exception of Documents produced in Native Format, will be produced as single-page black and white Group IV TIFF image files of at least 300 dpi resolution with 1 bit depth. Page size shall be 8.5 x 11 inches, unless in the reasonable judgment of the Producing Party, a particular item requires a different page size. Each image file will use the Bates number of the page as its unique file name. Original document orientation as displayed in the native file should be maintained in the TIFF image (i.e., portrait to portrait and landscape to landscape).

B. Text Files.

Each Document produced under this Order shall be accompanied by a Document level text file containing all of the text for that Document, not one text file per page. Each text file shall be named to use the Bates number of the first page of the corresponding Document. The text files shall be generated by extracted text from native files and OCR text files from hard copy scanned Documents as applicable. The .DAT load file shall include a link to the corresponding text file.

C. OCR Text File.

The Parties will provide searchable OCR text of any paper or imaged Documents, unless the Party determines that the utility of the OCR is outweighed by the expense. In that case, the Producing Party will produce the Documents as they are kept in the ordinary course of business.

D. Extracted Text Files from ESI.

The Parties shall extract the text of each ESI item directly from the ESI native file, where extracted text is reasonably available. For contacts and calendars collected and/or processed after the execution date of this Order, fields should be extracted and produced as text.

E. OCR Text for Redacted Documents.

1 The Parties will provide searchable OCR text for any redacted files.

2 **F. Bates Numbering.**

3 1. Each TIFF image produced under this Order should be assigned a Bates
4 number that must: (1) be unique across the entire document production; (2) maintain a constant
5 length of nine numeric digits (including 0-padding) across the entire production; (3) contain only
6 alphanumeric characters, no special characters or embedded spaces; and (4) be sequential within a
7 given Document. The Producing Party will identify the Bates number range of each production in
8 a cover letter or production log accompanying the production. If a Producing Party skips a Bates
9 number or set of Bates numbers in a production, the Producing Party will identify and note the
10 gap in the cover letter or production log accompanying the production.

11 2. The Producing Party will brand all TIFF images in the lower right-hand
12 corner with its corresponding Bates number, using a consistent font type and size. If the
13 Receiving Party believes that a Bates number obscures the content of a Document, then the
14 Receiving Party may request that the Document be produced with the Bates number in a different
15 position.

16 **G. Re-Production of Prior or Other Litigation Documents.**

17 Where a Requesting Party seeks re-production of a set of Documents produced in a prior
18 litigation or any other proceeding, or where a prior production of Documents or ESI by a Party in
19 a prior litigation or any other proceeding is the only reasonably accessible source of those
20 Documents or ESI to be produced by a Party in this litigation, the Producing Party may re-
21 produce such Documents in the manner in which they were produced in the prior case, including
22 all objective coding or metadata fields required by this protocol to the extent reasonably available
23 to the Producing Party as part of the productions set. For any such re-production in accordance
24 with this Paragraph, the Producing Party is not obligated to re-format the prior production in
25 accordance with the production specifications in ESI stipulation, but must provide Bates
26 numbering and confidentiality designations specific to this litigation.

27 **H. Parent-Child Relationships.**

28 Parent-child relationships for all embedded ESI Documents (e.g., the association between

an attachment and its parent email, or a spreadsheet embedded within a word processing Document), must be preserved by assigning sequential Bates numbers to all items within the parent-child group, and identifying those Bates numbers in the relevant ESI metadata and coding fields specified in Appendix 2. For example, if a Party is producing an email with embedded attachments, the attachments must be processed and assigned Bates numbers in sequential order, following consecutively behind the parent email.

I. Color Documents.

If an original ESI Document contains color text, markings or graphics, and the Receiving Party believes it is necessary to view such Document in its original color to understand its full meaning or content, then the Receiving Party may request that the ESI Document be produced in color format. The Producing Party shall then reproduce such Document(s) and/or ESI in color JPEG format, or in Native Format. This section also applies to Documents that are produced as TIFF images.

J. Confidentiality Designations.

If a particular Document has a confidentiality designation, the designation shall be stamped on the face of all TIFF images pertaining to such Document, in the lower left-hand corner of the Document, or as close thereto as possible while preserving the underlying image. If the Receiving Party believes that a confidentiality designation obscures the content of a Document, then the Receiving Party may request that the Document be produced with the confidentiality designation in a different position. No Party may attach to any filing or any correspondence addressed to the Court (including any Magistrate Judge), or any adverse or third Party, or submit as an exhibit at a deposition or any other judicial proceeding, a copy (whether electronic or otherwise) of any native format Document produced by any Party without ensuring that the corresponding Bates number and confidentiality legend, as designated by the Producing Party, appears on the Document. For each Document that is marked confidential, a Confidentiality field will be populated with the word "Confidential" in the .dat file. Also, any Documents marked Confidential must be handled in accordance with the Protective Order entered in this case.

II. PRODUCTION OF HARD COPY DOCUMENTS

All hard copy Documents that are scanned will be produced in electronic form. Where necessary and practicable, hard copy Documents in color will be scanned in color to ensure full information is communicated in the scanned copy. Scanned color Documents will be provided in JPG file format.

A. Unitization of Paper Document.

To the extent practicable, hard copy Documents shall be unitized using logical document determinations or “LDD.”

B. Identification.

Where a Document or group of Documents has an identification spine, “post-it note,” or any other label, the information on the label shall be scanned and produced to the extent practicable.

C. Custodian Identification.

The Parties will utilize reasonable best efforts to ensure that paper records for a particular custodian or department level custodian, which are included in a single production, are produced in consecutive Bates stamp order.

D. Metadata.

The metadata associated with each hard copy Document need only identify the Bates number, the custodian associated with that hard copy Document, and any Confidential Designation or Redaction applied to that Document.

III. PRODUCTION OF “ESI”

A. De-NISTING and System Files: ESI productions shall be de-NISTed using the industry standard list of such files maintained in the National Software Reference Library by the National Institute of Standards & Technology. De-NISTED files need not be produced. The Parties may mutually agree upon any additional file types that can be excluded from review and production. A Producing Party shall identify any additional standard, readable, and reviewable file types which have been excluded from its document review population for any production made following the date of this Order, and will utilize reasonable best efforts to do the same with

1 respect to any productions made prior to the date of this Order.

2 If a Party excludes from review a standard, readable, and reviewable file type not within
3 the industry standard, that Party must disclose such exclusion to the other Parties.

4 **B. Native Files:** Certain files types, such as presentation-application files (e.g., MS
5 PowerPoint), spreadsheet-application files (e.g., MS Excel, .csv), and multimedia audio/visual
6 files such as voice and video recordings (e.g., .wav, .mpeg, and .avi), shall be produced in Native
7 Format. For files produced in Native Format, the Producing Party shall provide a single-page
8 TIFF slip-sheet with the applicable Bates stamp indicating that a native item was produced. The
9 corresponding load (.DAT) file shall include a NativeFileLink which provides the relative path
10 linking information for each native file that is produced. In addition, the confidentiality
11 designation will be indicated in the name of the native file where reasonably feasible.

12 **C. Metadata Fields and Processing.**

13 1. ESI shall be processed in a manner that preserves the source native file and
14 relevant metadata without modification, including their existing time, date, and time-zone
15 metadata consistent with the requirements provided in this Order. The Producing Party will
16 provide information on the time zone the data was processed in to the Receiving Party.

17 2. **Hidden text.** ESI shall be processed, to the extent practicable, in a manner
18 that preserves hidden columns or rows, hidden text, notes, or worksheets, speaker notes, tracked
19 changes, redlines and comments. Upon request, a Producing Party will produce files with any
20 such information in Native Format.

21 3. **Compressed Files and Encrypted Files.** Compressed file types (i.e.,
22 .CAB, .GZ, .TAR.Z, .ZIP) shall be decompressed in a reiterative manner to ensure that a zip
23 within a zip is decompressed into the lowest possible compression resulting in individual files.
24 The Producing Party will take reasonable steps, prior to production, to unencrypt any
25 discoverable electronically stored information that exists in encrypted format (e.g., because
26 password-protected) and that can be reasonably unencrypted.

27 4. **Metadata and Coded Fields.** ESI items shall be produced with all of the
28 metadata and coding fields set forth in Appendix 2.

This Order does not create any obligation to create or manually code fields that are not automatically generated by the processing of the ESI, or that do not exist as part of the original metadata of the Document; provided, however, that the Producing Party must populate, where possible, the (a) BegBates, (b) EndBates, (c) BegAttach, (d) EndAttach, (e) Custodian, (f) NativeFileLink fields, if applicable, (g) TextPath, (h) Redaction status, and (i) Confidentiality designation. These fields should be populated for all produced ESI, as well as paper Documents converted to electronic form, regardless of whether the fields can be populated pursuant to an automated process.

IV. DATABASES, STRUCTURED, AGGREGATED OR APPLICATION DATA

1. The Parties will produce Documents collected from databases or other structured databases in a reasonably useable format. If the data cannot be produced in a reasonably useable format, the Parties will meet and confer to address the production format. Prior to or during any such meet and confer, the Producing Party will provide sufficient information to enable the Receiving Party to evaluate the best method and format of production. If the Parties cannot reach agreement, the matter will be decided by the Court or its designee.

V. RESPONSIVENESS, PRIVILEGE & REDACTIONS.

A. The Parties agree that if an attachment to an e-mail is wholly nonresponsive to the discovery requests, it will be produced along with any other Documents in the family.

B. To the extent that a Defendant reasonably determines that e-mail or related attachments that are responsive to Plaintiff's document request are not discoverable because they are subject to a Privilege, Defendant shall produce a log treating each e-mail and attachment withheld separately.

C. Redactions:

The parties agree that where ESI items need to be redacted, they shall be produced in TIFF format with each redaction clearly indicated or where TIFF format is not practicable, in redacted native format, as noted below. Any unaffected data fields shall be provided. The redaction of any material for privilege or other reason shall be governed by the applicable rules and case law regarding privilege and the provisions contained in the Protective Order entered in

1 this action. Documents that are to be produced in native format, but that require redactions may
 2 be produced as TIFF images with the relevant portions redacted, or if a TIFF image production is
 3 not practicable (e.g., the file is a video or very large spreadsheet), the producing party may
 4 produce a copy of the native file with the relevant portions replaced with “REDACTED” or a
 5 similar mark. If modification of a native file is required for redaction purposes, metadata
 6 information associated with that file should remain unchanged, unless it also requires redaction.
 7 For each document that is redacted, a Redaction field will be populated with the word
 8 “REDACTED” in the .DAT file. Also, the producing party will keep a pristine original copy of
 9 the native document.

10 **D. Printing Specifications for Excel and PowerPoint files:**

11 For Excel and PowerPoint type files that are printed to TIFF for redaction and redacted,
 12 the following printing options shall be enabled:

13 **Excel Print to TIFF Options**

- 14 • Unhide columns and rows
- 15 • Unhide worksheets
- 16 • Autofit columns and rows, settings to be over by columns first and, then down by rows
- 17 • Print gridlines
- 18 • Do not apply Autofilter
- 19 • Display headings
- 20 • Display comments
- 21 • Header and Footer filename field handling: Show field code

22 **PowerPoint Print to TIFF Options**

- 23 • Print notes pages
- 24 • Print hidden slides
- 25 • Print comments

26 1. The Producing Party shall also make reasonable efforts to ensure that any
 27 spreadsheets produced only as TIFF images because of redactions are formatted so as to be
 28 legible. For redacted items which were originally ESI, all metadata fields noted in this protocol
 that do not contain privileged or protected information will be provided and will include all non-
 redacted data. A Document's status as redacted does not relieve the Producing Party from
 providing all of the metadata required herein.

E. De-duplication and Document Families:

ESI may be de-duplicated globally at the parent level using MD5 hash or SHA-1 hash. For emails, de-duplication may be performed using a hash calculated using combination of metadata fields. Such hash shall, at a minimum, account for all sender and recipient metadata including BCC recipients, the email subject, date sent, and attachment names.

The Parties are permitted to produce the longest unique email chain and do not need to separately produce the lesser-included emails unless those lesser-included emails have bcc recipients or unique attachments not included in the longest chain. If a lesser-included email has a bcc recipient or unique attachment, then the lesser-included email must be separately produced with the attachments

If a Party produces only inclusive email, the Parties agree to redact any privileged content or message component and produce in full the rest of the conversation in the inclusives.

“Near duplicate” Documents shall be produced rather than removed. The Producing Party need only produce a single copy of a particular ESI.

The hash value for each item shall be reflected in the .DAT load file in the HashValue field specified in Appendix 2. If a Producing Party elects to de-duplicate globally, the Producing Party shall identify custodians who were in possession of a de-duplicated Document in the AllCustodian metadata field specified in Appendix 2. This means that the field “AllCustodian” will be populated showing all custodians who had a copy of the same Document which is not being produced because of de-duplication.

De-duplication shall not break apart families and shall be performed at a family level. A Document and all other Documents in its attachment range, emails with attachments and files with extracted embedded OLE Documents all constitute family groups. If any member of a family group is produced, all members of that group must be also be produced or else logged and no such member shall be withheld from production as a duplicate. The Producing Party agrees that the presence of a custodian’s name contained in the “AllCustodian” field in the metadata for a particular Document is evidence that the custodian possessed that Document in his/her custodial file.

F. Load Files:

1 The data load file should be in standard Concordance format (.DAT). The .DAT file shall
2 contain a relative path to the corresponding native file.

3 Concordance Data Load Files:

4 The data load file should use standard Concordance delimiters:

- 5 • Column - ¶ (ASCII 182);
- 6 • Quote - ¢ (ASCII 254);
- 7 • Newline - ® (ASCII 174).
- 8 • The first line of the .DAT file should contain the field names arranged in
9 the same order as the data is arranged in subsequent lines.
- 10 • All date fields should be produced in mm/dd/yyyy format, if possible.
11 Date fields may be combined date/time fields
- 12 • All produced attachments should sequentially follow the parent
13 Document/email.

14 Sample Concordance .DAT Load File:

15 ¢BegBates¢¢¢Begattach¢¢¢Custodian¢¢¢Native Path¢¢¢Extracted Text¢
16 ¢ABC000001¢¢¢ABC000001¢¢¢Sample¢¢¢\VOL001\NATIVES\001\ABC000001.xls¢¢¢TEXT\
17 001\ABC000001.t
18 ¢¢¢ABC000002¢¢¢ABC000001¢¢¢Sample¢¢¢NATIVES\001\ABC000002.gif¢¢¢TEXT\001\AB
19 C000002.txt¢

20 The image load file must be in standard Option (.OPT) format and must reference each
21 TIFF file in the corresponding production, and the total number of TIFF files referenced in the
22 load file must match the total number of image files in the production. The total number of
23 Documents referenced in a production's data load file should match the total number of
24 designated document breaks in the corresponding image load file for that production. In any
25 deliverable volume, Documents should be organized in such a way that each folder in the volume
26 contains 1000 files (each TIFF page or native file is a single file) as one file per folder.

- 27 • Every image in the delivery volume should be cross-referenced in the
28 image load file.

- The imageID key should be named the same as the Bates number of the page.
- Load files should not span across media (e.g., CDs, DVDs, hard drives, etc.), i.e., a separate volume should be created for each piece of media delivered.

Sample Concordance/Opticon Image (.OPT) Load File:

MSC000001, MSC001, \VOL001\IMAGES\001\MSC000001.TIF, Y,,,2

MSC000002, MSC001, \VOL001\IMAGES\001\MSC000002.TIF,,,,

MSC000004, MSC001, \VOL001\IMAGES\001\MSC000004.TIF, Y,,,2

MSC000005, MSC001, \VOL001\IMAGES\001\MSC000005.TIF,,,,

OCR/Extracted Text Files:

- OCR or Extracted Text files shall be provided in a separate directory containing Document-level text files. The .DAT file shall contain a relative path to the corresponding text file. OCR or Extracted text itself should not be included in the .DAT file:

PROD001\TEXT\001\ABC00015.txt

APPENDIX 2: ESI METADATA AND CODING FIELDS

The chart below describes the metadata fields to be produced, where reasonably available, in generic, commonly used terms which the Producing Party is to adapt to the specific types of ESI it is producing, to the extent such metadata fields exist associated with the original electronic Documents and are automatically generated as part of the electronic data discovery process. Any ambiguity about a metadata field should be discussed with the Receiving Party prior to processing the subject ESI for production.

Field Name	Field Description
BegBates	First Bates number (production number) of an item
EndBates	Last Bates number (production number) of an item **The EndBates field should be populated for single-page items.
AttachName	File name of the attachment, with any attachments separated by semi-colon.
BegAttach/Group ID	First Bates number of family group.
EndAttach	Last Bates number of attachment range (<i>i.e.</i> , Bates number of the last page of the last attachment)
PgCount	Number of pages in the item
Custodian	Name of person or source from whose/which files the item is produced
AllCustodian	Name of the person(s), in addition to the Custodian, from whose files the item would have been produced if it had not been de- duplicated
FileSize	Size (in kilobytes) of the source native file
SourceFilePath ¹	The directory structure or path where the original file was stored on the Party's source computer system, ending in the filename. Any container name (such as ZIP or PST containers) is included in the path.
HashValue	The MD5 or SHA-1 or IntMsgID hash value of the item.

¹ This field may be excluded if the Producing Party determines it includes information protected by any applicable privilege or immunity.

Field Name	Field Description
NativeFileLink	Relative path for Documents provided in Native Format only. **The linked file must be named per the BegBates value.
SourceParty	Name of entity or Party producing the item
RecordType	Indicates item type (e.g., email, edoc, attachment)
FileType	(e.g., Outlook, Adobe Acrobat, MS Word, etc.)
FileExtension	Indicates file extension of the file e.g., .docx, .pptx
Parent Date/Sort Date	The date associated with a family's parent record, which is assigned as follows: Emails populated with 1st occurrence: Date Sent or Date Received or Date Last Modified . Email attachments populated from the date above. Outlook Appointments populated with 1 st occurrence of Start Date or Date Last Modified . Loose Edocs populated with 1 st occurrence of Date Last Modified or Date Created .
DateSent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Date email or calendar item was sent
TimeSent (hh:mmAM/PM)	Time email or calendar item was sent (Date and time fields may be combined)
DateReceived	Date email or calendar item was received
TimeReceived	Time email or calendar item was received (Date and time fields may be combined)
To	The names and/or SMTP email addresses of all recipients that were included on the "To" line of the email or calendar item
From	The name and/or SMTP email address of the sender of the email or calendar item
CC	The names and/or SMTP email addresses of all recipients that were included on the "CC" line of the email or calendar item
BCC	The names and/or SMTP email addresses of all recipients that were included on the "BCC" line of the email or calendar item

Field Name	Field Description
Number of Attachments	Number of attached, embedded or grouped items
DateCreated (mm/dd/yyyy)	Date the item was created
TimeCreated (hh:mm AM/PM)	Time the item was created (Date and time fields may be combined)
ModifiedBy	Person who last modified or saved the item, as populated in the metadata or document properties of the native file
LastModDate (mm/dd/yyyy)	Date the item was last modified
LastModTime (hh:mm AM/PM)	Time the item was last modified
Date Last Printed	Date the Document was last printed.
FileName	The filename of the source native file for an ESI item
Title	Any value populated in the Title field of the source file metadata or item properties
Subject/E-Mail Subject	Any value populated in the Subject field of the source file metadata or document properties (e.g., subject line of email or calendar item)
Author	Creator of the Document; any value populated in the Author field of the source file metadata or document properties
TextPath	Full relative path to the location of the Document-level text file.
Redacted	User-generated field that will indicate redactions. With the word "REDACTED". Otherwise, blank.
Redaction Reason	The reason for the redaction. If more than one reason, separate by semi-colons.
Confidentiality	User-generated field that will indicate confidentiality. With the word "CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL" or "ATTORNEYS EYES ONLY" applicable. Otherwise, blank.